Minutes from Bill
of Capt. Richard Derby
husband of
Madam Derby

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Capt. Richard Derby died in 1783.

His will was dated Oct. 27. proved Dec 3. of that year

"To my well beloved wife Sarah Derby. I do leave and assigns all & singular the household furniture, goods and chattles (sic) and estate of every kind & sort which she brought to me upon & after our intermarriage, & shall remain at my decease. I also give her my Carriot & my two Carriot horses - also the sum of one hundred pounds lawful money annually. & every year while she shall remain my widow. Also my negro child Peggy."

No other provision for her -

There is no inventory on file, but some idea of the probable amount of his estate can be obtained from the other provisions of his will.

To his daughter Mary Crowninshield he gives two dwelling houses in Salem - the household plate & furniture which he gave her about the time of her marriage & since (valued at £400) & confirmed to her - & he also gives her a debt of £400 due from her husband - and a negro girl.

The whole estimated at £3400.

To his daughter Martha Prince he gives a Mansion house - the household furniture & plate given her at & since her marriage & confirmed to her (valued at £1000.) and he gives her a negro man - The whole estimated at £3400.

To the 3 Children of his deceased daughter Sarah Gardner £100 Each, "which sums together with the furniture & plate given to them mother at & since her marriage is estimated at £3400."

To his son Elias Hasket Derby the land belonging to his warehouse.

The residue - to Elias Hasket 1/3 & to his son John 1/3 - The remaining 1/3, including the mansion house, wharfs &c. which I gave to my son Richard deceased, to be divided Equally among said Richards seven children. This mansion house, wharfs &c. Estimated at £2000.

His sons John & Elias H. & his son-in-law John Gardner were named as Exors.

The abstract from Essex Probate Records by Mrs. Ebes for HL